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Gay indies fight for survival in ATL

Bookstores, gyms popular with gays in ATL face stiff competition from chains with deep pockets

by PENNY WEAVER

ATLANTA—The relationship between gay men and lesbians and independent businesses that cater to them is symbiotic.

In Atlanta, with one of the largest gay populations in the South, are bookstores and gyms that serve gay and lesbian customers, but also act as nerve centers for education and recreation.

But the struggle for survival gets tougher every day, thanks to stiff competition from national outlets that are paying more attention to gays and their buying habits.

It's a fact of life that the owners of small gay businesses are well aware of.

"We support the community and they support us," said H. Philip Rafshoon, the openly gay president and majority owner of Outwrite Bookstore & Coffeehouse in Midtown. "We keep the store a comfortable place for everybody and a place that the whole community's proud of."

Linda Bryant and Sara Look, both lesbians and co-owners of Charis Books & More in Little Five Points, agreed that being in touch with the needs of gays is key to the survival of businesses like Outwrite and Charis.

"We're a community-based bookstore," Look said. "We need the community, and the community needs us."

But that balance of support is a fragile one.

Arell Holloway, owner of popular gay gym Boot Camp, discovered that when the health club closed on April 7 after 15 years in Atlanta.

"Our expenses exceeded our income and we could no longer do business," said Holloway, who is openly gay.

Despite being the oldest gay gym in the city, Boot Camp fell prey to factors including good old-fashioned competition, an increasing fear of independent gay businesses.

"Our closing was definitely largely due to bigger, newer, faster competitors," Holloway said.

Gay-popular gyms like Mid-City Fitness, the Fitness Factory, P.E. and Ironworks in College Park, along with the now-defunct Boot Camp, compete with well-known chains such as Gold's Gym, Bally Total Fitness and LA Fitness Sports Clubs.

In the same way—and perhaps with stronger force in the publishing world than in health clubs—big sellers like Barnes & Noble and Borders are better serving gay-specific needs.

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Mark Henry (left) and Spencer Miller in the café of Outwrite Bookstore & Coffeehouse, the Midtown spot popular among gay men and lesbians. Like other independent gay-owned businesses, Outwrite struggles for survival among increased competition from larger bookstores, said Philip Rafshoon, the store's owner.

Independent booksellers are looking for cover.

Just this year, the American Booksellers Association, which represents about 3,000 independent stores, settled a suit against Barnes & Noble and Borders. The association alleged that the bigger businesses extracted illegal discounts and promotional subsidies from publishers, putting smaller chains and stores at an unfair disadvantage.

More than just selling books

In he battle between independent bookstores and their larger counterparts, stores like Charis and Outwrite struggle for survival.

"We're the only feminist bookstore in Georgia," said Look of Charis, which has held that claim to fame since its founding more than 26 years ago.

Charis features all types of books geared toward women, in addition to music, cards, videos and other items. The bookstore has always focused on women and women's issues, and has grown to include lesbian issues as more lesbian books have been published in recent years, Bryant said.

But competition is increasing. Many mainstream bookstore chains now offer gay selections, which cuts into business for places like Charis and Outwrite.

"Sometimes people don't make the extra trip [to an independent store]," Bryant said. "That didn't used to be an issue because those [national chain] stores didn't used to carry any lesbian and gay books."

But the Charis owners and Rafshoon said their stores offer more selections for gay readers—and a sense of community that bigger stores don't.

"Nobody does quite what we do. A lot of the books that we do are not specifically gay, but they all work in our sensibility here," Rafshoon said. "We compete by making our customers aware of all that we carry, and making it clear that it's not just gay stuff.

"We don't sit back and say, 'Well people should support us because we're gay;' we never have," he added. "We've always said we want people to support us because of

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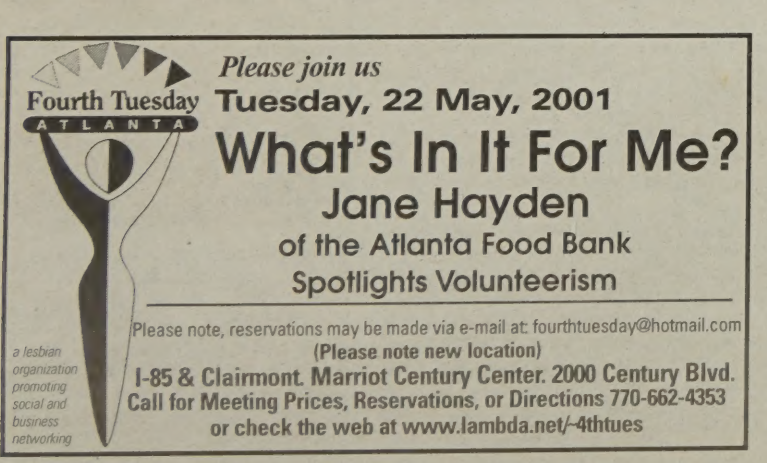
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Key witness in B'ham bombing trial was trans activist, writer

BIRMINGHAM, Ala.—One of the key witnesses in the 1977 conviction of Robert Chambliss for his part in the 16th Street Baptist Church bombings 38 years ago was a gay rights activist and transgender man later known as Petric Smith. Chambliss was the only person to be convicted in the bombing until Thomas Blanton's trial earlier this month. Smith was living as a woman named Elizabeth H. Cobbs at the time of Chambliss's trial. She was forced to flee Alabama two years later for fear of Ku Klux Klan retaliation. Cobbs went through gender reassignment and a name change in the early 1980s, but didn't return to Birmingham until after Chambliss's death in 1985. Smith became a local writer, editor, and civil rights activist. In 1994, Smith wrote a book, "Long Time Coming: An Insider's Story of the Birmingham Church Bombing That Rocked the World," about his decision to testify against Chambliss. Smith died of lung cancer in 1998.

Elizabeth Cobbs' 1977 testimony was key to the conviction of her uncle, Robert Chambliss, for the 16th Street Baptist Church bombing. Cobbs later became a man named Petric Smith.

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LA senate committee passes historic protection for gays with GOP support

BATON ROUGE, La.—With a 3-2 vote in favor of a workplace protection bill that includes gays, the Louisiana Senate Industrial & Labor Relations Committee on May 10 moved the measure to the full Senate for a vote, which could come as early as this week. State Sen. Ken Hollis, a Republican who is running for governor in 2003, cast the swing vote for the measure after emotional testimony about his 29-year-old gay son. Two Democrats voted against the measure; a Democrat and one other Republican joined Hollis in approving the bill. "He didn't ask for [his homosexuality]," Hollis said of his son, who feared retribution from a former employer for being gay. "He didn't order it from Wal-Mart. He was born that way." The committee stripped the bill of its inclusion of gender identity.

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TX governor signs into law hate crime bill that protects gays

AUSTIN, Texas (AP)—Texas Gov. Rick Perry signed a strengthened hate crimes law May 11 that includes penalties for offenses against gays. The James Byrd Jr. Hate Crimes Act—named for the black man who was dragged to his death from a pickup truck—strengthens penalties for crimes motivated by a victim's race, religion, color, sex, disability, sexual preference, age or national origin. Perry's predecessor as governor, President Bush, had refused to support the measure two years ago. "As governor of a very large, diverse state, in all matters it is desirable to seek common ground, common ground for the common good," Perry said. Texas already has a hate crimes law, but it does not list specific categories of people who would be protected, a law some prosecutors have said is too vague to enforce. Georgia's hate crime law, passed last year, was modeled after the Texas law being replaced by the Bryd Act.

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NC United Way adopts anti-bias policy that cuts funding to Scouts

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. (AP)—The Orange County United Way has adopted a nondiscrimination policy that cuts off money to all member agencies that discriminate against gays who are clients, volunteers or staff members. The policy, approved 19-2 on May 10, would end general contributions to county Boy Scout troops beginning in 2003, but would allow donors to earmark individual contributions specifically for the Scouts. "This grows out of our compassion for all people and the belief that it would be unreasonable and unfair to discriminate against a person because of their sexual preference," said Cal Horton, chair of the Orange County United Way board. The policy is a step beyond the nearby Triangle United Way's decision to require member agencies to offer services and programs to people regardless of their sexual orientation. The Triangle policy was not extended to cover an agency's hiring of staff and volunteers. The U.S. Supreme Court last year upheld the Boy Scouts of America's policy of excluding gays as scoutmasters.

FL gay bar closes under cloud of suspicion over missing donations

SPRING HILL, Fla.—The pub that may have been the first gay bar in Hernando County is closing amid allegations that its owner did not give the money raised during an AIDS fundraiser to the agency as promised, the *St. Petersburg Times* reported. Differences Pub, which opened in December 1998, began offering a cabaret-style drag show in Spring Hill, about 40 miles north of Tampa. According to a videotape made during a fund-raiser last September, eight female impersonators collected more than $1,800 for All Children's Hospital, but hospital officials said they have no record of a donation. Owner Lynn Greene said allegations that she pocketed the money are attacks by former patrons and employees with an ax to grind. "There are people who can't stand to see something that makes other people happy," Greene said before the pub closed. Records show that Greene, 48, filed for bankruptcy in June 1999.

—From staff and wire reports

Shepherd resigns from Minnesota MCC

Former ATL pastor, still silent, leaves to seek a new job with world's largest Metropolitan Community Church after being defrocked by national body

by ERIC ERICKSON

ATLANTA—Less than a month after being defrocked by the national body of gay-based Metropolitan Community Churches, former Atlanta pastor Glenna Shepherd has resigned her post as senior pastor at a Minnesota MCC to seek a leadership position at the largest MCC in the world.

Doug Beck, a member of the board of directors of All God's Children MCC in Minneapolis, said Shepherd terminated her relationship with the church last Wednesday, less than two months after being named senior pastor. Beck said Shepherd resigned by a letter sent to the board.

Beck cited "the fact that she could not pastor an MCC church without MCC credentials" as the reason for Shepherd's resignation. The Minneapolis MCC initially refused to recognize the decision by the governing denomination, United Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches, to defrock Shepherd.

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"Her license had been revoked by the denomination, and she just outlined that her decision had been made," Beck said this week. "She had some contact with some people [in the congregation] but the official notice came in the form of a letter."

Kris Martin, assistant to Rev. Michael Piazza, senior pastor of Cathedral of Hope church in Dallas, confirmed that Shepherd has interviewed there for a non-clergy position. While Martin confirmed the Dallas MCC does have a choir director position open, that job has not been offered to Shepherd and she has not accepted any position with that church, Martin said

Martin said Piazza was present for Shepherd's disciplinary hearings in Atlanta. She declined to answer further questions, and Piazza is on extended work-related leave and unavailable for comment.

Shepherd, who has been on personal leave from her position at All God's Children before she resigned, did not respond to repeated requests for an interview.

Shepherd resigned last August from her job as pastor of Decatur's Christ Covenant MCC, a church she helped found in 1992 as a breakaway congregation from Atlanta's All Saints MCC. In an interview with *Southern Voice* at the time, she said there were no problems or issues in Atlanta prompting her move to Minnesota.

In March, Shepherd participated in a hearing to address charges brought by other MCC clergy of conduct unbecoming a pastor, which ultimately led to the removal of her credentials.

The charges were brought against Shepherd in the Gulf Lower Atlantic District, which includes Atlanta, but Rev. Elder Troy Perry, the denomination's founder and moderator, said the decision prohibited her from holding a clergy position in any UFMCC district.

Shepherd appealed the initial decision defrocking her to a second three-member panel, which upheld the ruling. UFMCC officials have declined comment about the specifics of the charges, citing the confidentiality of the denomination's disciplinary process.

Removal of Shepherd's clergy credentials should not prevent her from taking a position as music director at the Dallas MCC, according to Perry.

"Anybody can direct music in a local church. If that church wishes to do that, they can," Perry said.

Beck insisted in interviews in April and May that All God's Children and the district in Minnesota was not bound by the decision made in Atlanta, and said members of the congregation had just approved Shepherd as senior pastor on March 25, after an abbreviated period as interim pastor.

"I would say it has been a really tough blow," Beck said of the controversy and Shepherd's decision to leave. "Anytime you lose your pastor, ... it's an emotional thing as well as a transition to try and find a new one."

Glenna Shepherd, a lesbian and former senior pastor of a Minnesota MCC church, resigned last week after the gay denomination revoked her credentials.

Beck said the Minneapolis congregation did know at the time that charges had been brought against Shepherd in Atlanta, but they did not know the specifics behind the accusations.

"When Glenna came forth as the interim candidate, the congregation responded very favorably to her and was very excited about keeping her on board as the senior pastor," Beck said. " And then to find out that she can't be our pastor, we're kind of back to where we're starting the process all over again."

Beck said All God's Children will begin trying to find a new minister, using guest speakers in the meantime.

"I believe that the church will be able to move forward," Perry said. He declined further comment about reaction in the church to the controversy.

Trans woman sues GA health firm over sex change

Patient alleges Kaiser began paying for transition, then stopped short of her sex-change surgery

by PENNY WEAVER

ROSWELL, Ga.—A woman has filed a lawsuit alleging her health maintenance organization first agreed, and then changed its decision, to pay for her physical transition from male to female.

As a result, Tori Rotschafer said, her gender identity and life are on hold.

"It's kind of like being in hell," she said.

The lawsuit, filed March 8 on behalf of Rotschafer by Atlanta attorney Roy Mullman, asks that Kaiser Foundation Health Plan of Georgia be forced to pay for the rest of the sex change process and be held liable for punitive damages.

Rotschafer, 49, has completed the transition except for surgery. She lives as a woman and has developed female breasts through hormone treatments, but still has male genitalia.

Kaiser attorney R. Hal Meeks Jr. said the company's contract with Rotschafer's former employer specifically stated that the HMO would not pay for a sex change.

"The allegation that the plaintiff makes that she was not told that surgery was not covered is vehemently disputed," Meeks said. "Under the four corners of the policy, her health plan would not have been required to pay for these hormones."

Rotschafer said her doctor indicated that her transition from male to female, beginning with hormone treatments in 1998, would be covered under her Kaiser HMO plan.

"He led us to believe that Kaiser was going to work with us," said Gwen Rotschafer, 37, Tori's wife.

The company did pay for the hormone treatments through last November; Tori was responsible for a $5 monthly co-payment.

Meeks said the HMO paid for the hormone treatments in error.

"When it came to the health plan's attention that the purpose of the prescription was associated with transgender surgery, then a determination was made that it was not a provided benefit," he said.

In November, Kaiser sent a letter that informed the Rotschafers that it would no longer pay for the hormones or any other costs associated with Tori's transformation.

In court this week, Mullman demanded that Kaiser's attorneys make three witnesses available for depositions. He said he would issue subpoenas for those witnesses if Kaiser attorneys did not respond by Wednesday.

Kaiser on Monday asked for a summary judgment in the case in their favor.

Meeks said the Rotschafers are "playing this up" for publicity.

In fact, the couple appeared on an episode of "Sally Jesse Raphael," and Tori has a book in the works. The case has been covered in an Atlanta legal newspaper and the CBS program "48 Hours" is considering a segment.

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Gwen (left) and Tori Rotschafer have been married for nearly 22 years and now are battling Tori's former HMO to force the company to pay for the final stages of her male-to-female sex change.

The Rotschafers met and married 22 years ago, when Tori was still John; she changed her name in 1999. They have three children, ages 20, 18 and 14. Before they wed, Tori told Gwen about her gender identity quandary.

"She pretty much knew and understood who I was before we got married. She's been my strongest supporter," Tori said.

The final step in Tori's transition, sex change surgery, would cost between $40,000 and $100,000, the Rotschafers estimated, a move the couple would probably not have considered if their insurance had not covered the cost, Gwen said.

"It's the last mountain to climb in the adventure of becoming a female," Tori said. "It validates who I really am."

But Meeks said the case is simple: The HMO contract states that a sex change is not covered, and he said that contract cannot be changed by an oral agreement.

"The first time she called... and asked... [Tori] was told clearly 'no,'" he said.

The Rotschafers said the company's actions—paying for the hormones for two years—invalidated any written contract that said otherwise.

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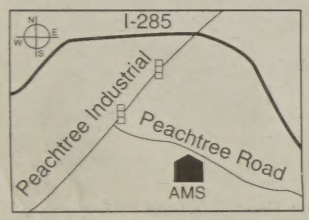

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Atlanta a finalist among potential hosts for 2006 Gay Games

ATLANTA—The city of Atlanta is among four finalists vying to host Gay Games VII in 2006, according to the Federation of Gay Games. Other finalists are Chicago, Los Angeles and Montreal. The Federation plans inspection visits in each candidate city in the next two months. Each bid group will then make a final pitch in October before the winner is chosen Oct. 25. "It is crucial for the community to show awareness and support for the gay games during the section committee's visit," said Pam Hege, marketing and media chair for Atlanta Gay Games Inc. Sydney, Australia, will host the 2002 games beginning Nov. 2.

—Andrew Keegan

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New AIDS services organization to serve five-county area in Georgia

COLUMBUS, Ga.—Chattahoochee AIDS Services Initiative (CASI) is a new organization gearing up to meet the social service needs of people with HIV/AIDS. Keith Iris, who contracts with the Metropolitan Columbus Task Force for the Homeless as the local HOPWA (Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS) consultant, said CASI developed through a relationship with the task force. The grant for the group includes Georgia's Muscogee, Talbot, Harris, Chattahoochee and Marion counties. Services to be offered include support groups, case management, food bank, clothing bank and access to computers, Iris said. CASI now is awaiting a move into new offices on Second Avenue in Columbus, where the services will be offered. Volunteers are needed, Iris noted.

—Penny Weaver

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Weekend benefit for gay group explores Savannah's past and present

SAVANNAH, Ga.—History is the focus in the city made famous by the novel and movie, "Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil," during "A Savannah Weekend," May 19-20. A walk through Savannah's historic district gardens kicks off the benefit for First City Network. Refreshments will be served. Later that evening, under a garden tent at the circa-1819 William Scarbrough House, guest speaker James Cox, author and architectural historian, will explore the city's secret past. Damon Fowler, cookbook author and a *Southern Voice* food writer, also will be on hand to share his tasty experiences as a Savannah resident. FCN, Georgia's oldest gay and lesbian service organization, serves the community through education, support groups, service projects and social events.

—Andrew Keegan

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AID Atlanta to recognize standouts for commitment and service

ATLANTA—Four awards honoring key figures in the fight against AIDS will be handed out at the second annual AID Atlanta Honors on June 12. Sandra Thurman will receive the National Honors Award. Thurman, a former AID Atlanta executive director, is a long-time advocate for people living with AIDS and was head of the national AIDS office during the Clinton administration. The Atlanta Honors Award will recognize David Sheppard, executive director of the Design Industries Foundation Fighting AIDS. Atlanta-based Delta Airlines is the recipient of the Partner Honors Award. Joining Hearts, an organization which has raised more than $400,000 for people living with HIV/AIDS, will receive the Community Honors Award. A surprise presentation of the Kenneth F. Britt Service Honors Award also will be made during the ceremony.

—Andrew Keegan

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Gay group's Friday seminar to focus on HIV education for physicians

ATLANTA—The Gay & Lesbian Medical Association will conduct a free one-day seminar in Atlanta on Friday, May 18. The event is designed to answer the questions of physicians who treat relatively few patients with HIV. "For many doctors, HIV patients comprise a small fraction of their overall practice," said Dr. Donald I. Abrams, a former president of the GLMA. As a result, he added, it is often difficult for doctors with a general practice to follow the most recent developments in HIV treatment.

—Andy Cole

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Cleland may see rough campaign trail

Several GA Congressmen consider running against gay-friendly politician

by PENNY WEAVER

ATLANTA—U.S. Sen. Max Cleland, a Democrat from Georgia known for his support of gay issues on Capitol Hill, may face an uphill battle for re-election in 2002.

Both Cleland aides and political observers contend he's ready for the fight.

"With the Senate divided 50-50, it's pretty clear that this will be one of the races of national significance and one of the races that's targeted by the Republicans," said Steve Leeds, Cleland's campaign chair.

Larry Pellegrini, a longtime gay activist and current vice president of political action for the gay Georgia Stonewall Democrats, said voters can expect Cleland to come out swinging when the campaign heats up.

"He will [face strong opposition], but he's a tough campaigner," Pellegrini said. "I think he can convince people that he is a good representative for Georgia."

"We believe that Max has a record that will appeal to the voters," Leeds added.

Cleland won his Senate seat in the state—the other is held by former Gov. Zell Miller, a Democrat—by only 30,000 votes out of about 2 million cast in 1996. That's just one factor that political pundits said would make upcoming election a tough one for the DeKalb County native.

Staunch conservative GOP U.S. Rep. Bob Barr is said to be considering a run against Cleland.

"He hasn't made any public decision or any public comments one way or the other," said Brian Walsh, Barr's communications director. "Right now he's focused on the different issues that are before Congress."

But Barr may be waiting to see what happens in his own District 7, which will be reconfigured by the Democratic-controlled state legislature in August. House Speaker Tom Murphy has pledged to try and rewrite Barr out of his Congressional seat.

"You hear people talking constantly about what they think will happen [in redistricting], and at the top of the list is [they think] Bob Barr's district is going to look very different," Pellegrini said. "There is an anti-Barr mentality going into the process."

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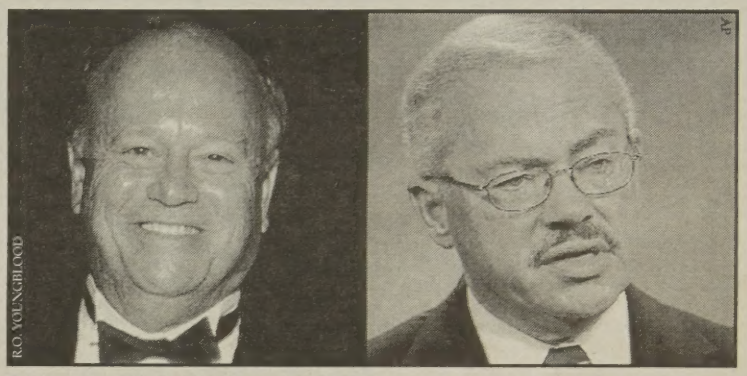


U.S. Sen. Max Cleland (left), known among many Democratic voters in Georgia for his gay-friendly stands, may face a tough road to re-election in 2002. A field of GOP opponents is lining up and may include U.S. Rep. Bob Barr, an anti-gay lawmaker from Cobb County.

Barr is not the only Republican said to be considering a run against Cleland: U.S. Reps. Saxby Chambliss, Jack Kingston and Charlie Norwood are also possibilities, Pellegrini said.

But Barr is the most well-known and a conservative lightning rod.

The Marietta lawmaker sponsored the 1996 Defense of Marriage Act, the federal law banning recognition of gay marriages; spoke out and voted against hate crimes legislation last fall; and has been one of the most outspoken opponents of gay civil rights in Congress.

Earlier this year, Barr urged Vermont lawmakers to take up and pass a bill explicitly outlawing gay marriage to rid the state of its civil unions law.

Cleland has a clear record of supporting gay civil rights, including a vote against President George W. Bush's nomination for attorney general, John Ashcroft, who has described homosexuality as a "sin."

Cleland attended the recent Human Rights Campaign fund-raising dinner in Atlanta, and took part in a fund-raiser on Capitol Hill by the Gay & Lesbian Leadership Council, a fund-raising arm of the Democratic National Committee.

"He doesn't see it as pro-gay; he sees it as pro-people, period," Pellegrini said. "He is trying to represent everyone, and... we [gays] are part of everyone."

AIDS doctor settles second patient suit

Pride Medical's lead physician settles malpractice suit, with sexual assault suit still pending

by ERIC ERICKSON

ATLANTA—Dr. Lee Anisman, lead physician of Pride Medical, Inc., last month settled the second of three lawsuits brought against him by HIV patients, according to the attorney who has represented all three plaintiffs.

Fred Orr, the lawyer representing Anthony Little and two other former patients, said Little's suit was tried before a Fulton County State Court jury April 9-17 and was settled by the parties a day later, while the jury was deliberating.

Anisman's attorney did not respond to interview requests.

Little filed suit against Anisman in May 1998, alleging that Pride Medical billed him for treatment and medications he never received and failed to disclose that Anisman would benefit financially from Little's use of the Pride Medical pharmacy, in violation of the Patient Self-Referral Act.

Little also brought a malpractice claim against Anisman. Orr declined comment on the specifics of the settlement, including the amount, citing a confidentiality provision.

Dr. Jonathon Zenilman from Johns Hopkins University, who also testified in an earlier patient suit against Anisman, again took the stand as an expert witness for Little.

In 1999, Anisman agreed to pay $1 million to settle claims brought by that other former HIV patient, Michael Kiefhaber, whom Orr also represented, over similar allegations about the Pride Medical pharmacy and substandard care.

After that settlement, Orr said, Kiefhaber filed a formal complaint against Anisman with the Georgia Composite State Board of Medical Examiners. Citing confidentiality rules, the Board would not confirm the filing of a complaint against Anisman or its resolution, but Orr confirmed that the regulatory body declined to take any action.

Anisman has since characterized the Board's decision as clearing him of any professional wrongdoing.

The third case pending against Anisman and Pride Medical was brought by another former patient, Tony Beane, who is also represented by Orr.

The suit brought by Beane, who is the former business manager of *Southern Voice*, includes similar fraud allegations concerning the Pride Medical pharmacy, as well as a claim that Anisman sexually assaulted him during an office visit in June 1998.

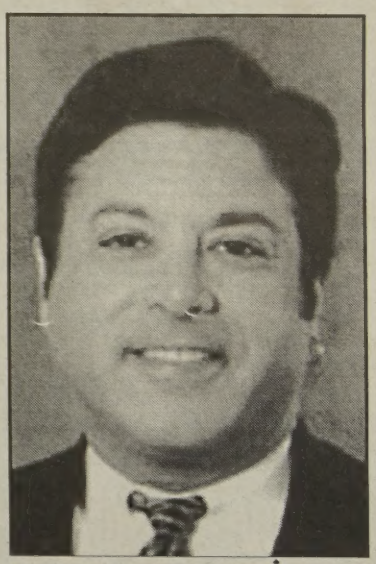
Beane brought the allegations some two years after the alleged assault, and took a job at Pride Medical for about a month in February 2000, according to Orr. The attorney declined to offer any explanation for Beane's decision to later work for Anisman, and said there are no plans for Beane to add malpractice claims to his suit.

Anisman sues *Southern Voice*

An article in the Sept. 21, 2000, issue of *Southern Voice* first reported the allegations included in the Beane complaint. In November, Anisman and Pride Medical filed a libel lawsuit against the newspaper in DeKalb County State Court, alleging that the story distorted the evidence in the Beane and Kiefhaber suits.

Southern Voice has moved to dismiss the suit in its entirety. Chris Crain, the paper's editor, said *Southern Voice* stands behind the accuracy of the Sept. 21 story and the newspaper's coverage of the patient suits filed against Anisman and Pride Medical.

—From staff reports



Suits brought by three HIV patients against Dr. Lee Anisman and Pride Medical, Inc., have each focused at least in part on proceeds he receives from the pharmacy located at the group's offices.

National chains force indies to 'work harder'

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what we do, and because of what we provide them, and the way we make them feel. We don't feel like anybody else can touch that."

Bryant said their store is a gathering place.

"The bookstore itself... provides the atmosphere of a community center, and a place to be and a place to meet people... and to interact," Bryant said. "We see that still needed. They need this space to keep being available, and they need books to still be in it."

Outwrite carries a wide variety of books and also sells music, videos and gay-centered novelty items. Open for seven years, Outwrite has been surrounded by growth in Midtown.

> 'It's challenging. Some months we get by by the skin of our teeth. The past couple of years have been trying.'
>
> —Philip Rafshoon, owner of Outwrite

"When moved on this corner, it was pretty barren here," Rafshoon said. "There wasn't much going on at Piedmont and Ponce, but now there's everything going on. There's a lot more people walking in the neighborhood."

Both stores host gay-specific events like author appearances and meetings for gay groups.

But Outwrite has been criticized for restrictions it places on people who want to distribute flyers during events, or for discouraging gay youth from gathering at the store unless they make purchases.

"They do need to be customers if they are going to be sitting here," Rafshoon said. "It's a for-profit business."

Sara Look, a lesbian and co-owner of Charis Books & More in Little Five Points, reads a book from the children's section at the store with her daughter, Zelda.

'Focus is survival'

The prevalence of national bookstore chains has driven down sales at Charis, but the competition has forced both stores to hunker down.

"You work harder and you work smarter," Rafshoon said. "It's challenging. Some months we get by by the skin of our teeth. The past couple of years have been trying... as the neighborhood changed, as the book selling landscape changed. But our sales are going up now."

At the feminist bookstore, a non-profit organization called Charis Circle supports programs held at the business. The group is dedicated to the feminist community and social change and it supplements the store, Bryant said.

"When the bookstore sales are down, but the activities are wonderful, we have to ask the question, 'Do people still want a bookstore?'" she said. "I believe that they do, but that they don't always understand the consequence of not buying their books here."

Survival is their focus, the Charis co-owners said.

"We have worked very hard to create a space that is rich in cross-fertilization of ideas and interaction and acceptance and understanding and struggle," Bryant said. "The fruits of that are that we have a very wonderful mixed clientele. We have people who come here of all ages, of all races, and all genders, and find a place where they can feel welcome."

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ATLANTA COMMUNITY NEWS

Noise complaints lead Midtown eatery to shutter Sunday 'tea dance'

by ERIN O'BRIANT

ATLANTA—A Midtown restaurant popular with gay men has cancelled its weekly Sunday "tea dance" events in response to noise complaints.

The restaurant, 10th & Myrtle, will remain open on Sunday afternoons, but will not play loud music or host a disc jockey.

Rich Sulsor, the primary owner of the eatery, met recently with neighbor Randal Lautzen-heizer and a liaison from Mayor Bill Campbell's office to resolve the issue.

Sulsor said he understood why neighbors would be "irritated" by the dances.

"After I heard their concerns, I decided we were unable to control [the noise]," Sulsor said. "We're a restaurant and it was turning into a bar, and I'm not running a bar. We're really just trying to be a nice neighborhood restaurant."

Jim Holbrook, president of the Midtown Neighbors Association, said his organization hasn't taken a stand on the noise at 10th & Myrtle because the issue has not been raised with association leaders.

"The very first Sunday, it was as noisy as an event in Piedmont Park would be, but after that... they seemed to address it," Holbrook said.

Several hundred people turned out for the tea dance last Sunday.

"We have no way of telling them there isn't a tea dance going on, so there's no way to control that aspect of it," Sulsor said.

He added that the restaurant may host other Sunday events, including a low-country boil.

10th & Myrtle, a Midtown restaurant popular with gays, will no longer host Sunday tea dances in response to noise complaints.

INFO

10th & Myrtle Restaurant
230 10th St.
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404-685-9233

OBITUARY

Michael J. Watson, 42

Michael J. Watson, 42, of Atlanta died April 28, 2001, from AIDS, according to Philip Torres, his best friend of 23 years.

A graduate of Miami-Dade Community College in Miami, Watson moved to Atlanta 12 years ago. A former president of Circle K, Watson was treasured and loved by many, according to Torres.

His accomplishments include being named "Most Outstanding Young Man of America" in 1982, receiving the ASP Peer Counseling Award in 1998, being named "Outstanding Disabled Person of the Year" in 1999 and earning the First MCC Pride Community Award in 2000.

Survivors include his parents, Ralph and Marcelene Watson of Douglasville; brother, Patrick Watson of Douglasville; nephew, Drew Watson of Douglasville; and long-time friend Philip Torres.

A Celebration of Life will be held on May 22 at 7:30 p.m. at First Metropolitan Community Church in Atlanta.

The family requests donations be made to AIDS Survival Project, Project Open Hand or Pets Are Loving Support.

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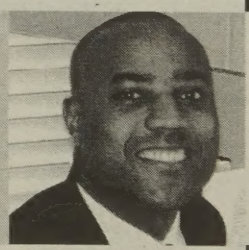

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birthdays

SoVo wishes happy birthday to Alan Frutkin on May 19.

Black & White Men Together wishes happy birthdays to Gene L. and Edward S., both on May 24

"Happy birthday on May 17 to William, without whom the Heretic would not be as sweet."

anniversary

"MEOW-EEE 26th ANNIVERSARY to my two daddies, Danny Bohin and Clarence Ball on May 28. Your little "KooterAnn" loves you both. Love, SUSHI, your furry little girl."

got something to celebrate?

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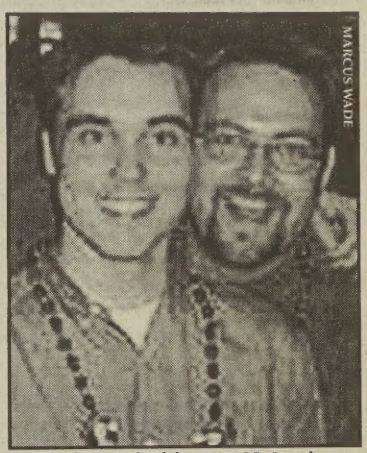
Southern Voice **congratulates Atlanta City Council member (and former *SoVo* General Manager) Cathy Woolard and her partner, Karen Geney, who celebrated 13 years together on May 6.**



MARCUS WADE

'Have a bulbous birthday May 25, David Lowery (left). From your Chi-Chi friends!'

Southern Voice **wishes a happy birthday to staff writer Eric 'I Was Born in the Shadow of Cher's Fabulousness' Erickson, on May 21. (Hint: The one without the beard in this photo is Eric's sister.)**

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To add a listing, e-mail calendar@sovo.com, call 404-876-1819, ext. 34, or fax to 404-876-2709.

atlanta

friday, may 18

All Women's Open Mic Night. 8 pm. Charis Books, 1189 Euclid. 404-524-0304.

Atlanta Freedom Marching Band. 7 pm. First Metropolitan Community Church., 1379 Tullie Way. 404-622-0666.

Atlanta Rainbow Trout. 7:30 pm. Ladies night swim. Water polo/swim practice. GA Tech Aquatic Center. 404-286-6131.

HIV Workshop for Physicians. Gay & Lesbian Medical Association one-day workshop designed for physicians who treat relatively few patients with HIV. For more information or to register, call 510-843-8048.

Hotlanta Volleyball Association. Evenings. Open play for all levels. 770-621-5062.

Westside Market. 10 am to 6 pm. Open air market at corner of Howell Mill & Hull Rd. 770-481-0280.

Writers' Circle. 2-4 pm. At the Dunwoody Campus of Georgia Perimeter College, "B" building writing lab, room 2310. 770-551-3057, or 770-604-3794.

YouthPride. Drop-in, 4:30 pm-12 am. Community social (ages 13-24), 8 pm. OUTing: Actors' Express benefit featuring "The Mystery of Irma Vep" by Charles Lublam. 302 E. Howard Ave., Decatur. 404-378-6175.

saturday, may 19

Atlanta Opera Club. 5 pm. For opera buffs, from the curious to the connoisseur. David Rogers 404-237-4218.

Atlanta Team Tennis Association Open Play. 2-6 pm. Social tennis for players at all levels. Piedmont Park. 770-621-2699.

Black Lesbians & Bisexual Women. 7 pm. "Family Embrace," a support group for black women who love women. 159 Ralph McGill Blvd. Ste. 600. To participate, please call 404-523-7500.

Children's Storytelling Hour. 7 pm. Gail McKays uses puppets and stories to entertain you and your children. Charis Books, 1189 Euclid Ave. 404-524-0304.

Flea Fair. 9 am to 5 pm, Sat & Sun. Upscale yard sale to benefit Atlanta Humane Society. Free admission. 2741 Howell Mill Rd. 404-875-5331.

Front Runners. Meet at 8 am in parking lot behind Piedmont Park tennis courts. 770-621-5007.

Georgia Field Hockey Association Women's League. 9 am-noon. All skill levels welcome. Nori, 770-985-4903.

Homosexuality & the Bible Class. 1-4:30 pm. Gay-positive class designed to help the community better understand issues involving Christianity and homosexuality. Gentle Spirit Christian Church, 1561 McLendon Ave. 404-522-1444.

Les Amies. Social club for African-American lesbians over 50. 404-351-3468.

Northlake Alliance. 7 pm. Alliance of Gays, Lesbians & Staights monthly potluck. Call Ken, 404-325-3985, or e-mail: NAGSAtlanta@yahoo.com.

THRIVE! Weekend. Two full days seminar, starting Saturday, continuing Sunday. Free, interactive gathering organized by AIDS Survival Project. To register, call 404-874-7926 or (TTY) 404-524-0464.

sunday, may 20

Atlanta Rainbow Trout. 11 am. Water polo/swim practice. GA-Tech Aquatic Center. 404-286-6131.

Atlanta Stickoff Party. 4 pm. Atlanta's first gay ice hockey club celebrates its formation. Tripp's Bar on Monroe Circle. Followed by public skating at the Iceforum-Duluth, Hwy. 120 & Satellite Blvd. www.gayhockeyatlanta.com.

Black & White Men Together. 4-6 pm. Steering committee meeting. 404-892-BWMT.

Mountain Family Network. Dinners, potlucks for gays who live or weekend in the North GA mountains. 706-864-3229.

PFLAG Atlanta. 2:30 pm. Call for location. 404-875-9440.

Queen of Dunk 'n Dine Pageant. 8 pm. A camp pageant putting the "easy" in greasy spoon, featuring the Armorettes. Benefiting local AIDS charities. Charlie Brown's Cabaret at Backstreet. 404-873-1986.

Sistas Aging Gracefully Everywhere. 4 pm. Discussion for black wimmin 40 and older. YouthPride Center, 302 E. Howard, Decatur. 404-370-0920.

Wilderness Network of Georgia. 6:30 pm. A non-competitive outdoor activities group for gay men. Quarterly potluck dinner and planning meeting. Garden Hills Community Center, Buckhead. E-mail: membership@wildnetga.org, or visit: www.wildnetga.org.

monday, may 21

Black & White Men Together. 7:30 pm. Video & Rap Night. 404-892-BWMT.

Coming Out Group. 7 pm. For lesbians, bisexuals and gay men who want to live their lives openly. Atlanta Gay and Lesbian Center, 159 Ralph McGill Blvd., 6th Floor. 404-523-7500. www.aglc.org.

tuesday, may 22

Atlanta Outworlders. Interest group for gay science fiction fans meets at Mss Q's on Amersterdam Ave. for "Buffy" and "Dark Angel." 770-451-8947. www.outworlders.org.

Atlanta Rainbow Trout. 8:30 pm. Swim practice. GA-Tech Aquatic Center. 404-286-6131.

GLBT Parenting Group. 7 pm. For gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered parents. 159 Ralph McGill Blvd. 404-523-7500.

Fourth Tuesday. Doors open 6:30 pm, introductions at 7:30 pm, program at 8 pm.. Make reservations by 5 pm Friday. A women-only event. Ramada Inn, I-85 at Monroe. 770-662-4353.

Front Runners Run/Walk. 6:30 pm. Meet at the CVS shopping center at the northwest corner of Commerce Drive and Ponce De Leon Ave, Decatur. 770-621-5007.

Hotlanta Volleyball Association. 7-10 pm. Open play for all levels. 770-621-5062.

YouthPride. Drop-in, 4:30-10 pm. Gender-Bender, 8-10 pm. Youth Pride, 302 E. Howard Ave. 404-378-6175.

wednesday, may 23

Front Runners 6:30 pm. Meet at parking lot behind Piedmont Park tennis courts. 770-621-5007.

Gay Fathers of Atlanta. 7:30 pm. All Saints Episcopal Church, W. Peachtree at North Ave. 404-342-6451.

South East Atlanta Gays & Lesbians. 7:30 pm. Gravity Pub on Glenwood Ave. 404-614-0959.

Volunteer Meeting. 4-7 pm. Lambda Legal Defense & Education Fund. 1447 Peachtree St, Ste 1004. 404-897-1880.

YouthPride. Drop-in, 4:30-10 pm. Teen Support Group (ages 13-18), 6-7:30 pm. Youth Council, 7:30-8:30 pm. Young Adult Discussion Group (ages 18-24), 8:30-10 pm. 302 E. Howard Ave., Decatur. 404-378-6175.

thursday, may 24

Atlanta Rainbow Trout. 8:30 pm. Swim practice. GA Tech Aquatic Center. 404-286-6131.

Bridge Lessons. 10 am, 7 pm. Atlanta Bridge Center. Peggy Hayslip. 770-300-9895.

Cliterati. Grrls' spoken word open mic. 8 p.m. Tower II, Ralph McGill Blvd. 404-624-3946, ErinWrites@mindspring.com.

Community Empowerment Lunch. Noon-1 pm. Leaders of Georgia Equality discuss recent plans. Outwrite Bookstore & Coffeehouse, Piedmont at 10th. 404-607-0082.

Dungeons & Dragons. 3E D&D weekly group meeting in downtown Atlanta. Open to all levels of gay and gay-friendly RPG players. Contact ajones@mindspring.com.

Human Rights Campaign. 7 pm. HRC4U, "Meeting People, Making Friends." The fourth Thursday of every month. Miss Q's, 500-B Amsterdam Ave. 678-637-1298.

Lesbian Avengers. 7:30 pm. Weekly meeting of Atlanta chapter, open to all ages & gender identities. YouthPride, 302 E. Howard Ave., Decatur. 404-978-1262 ext. 7744. lesbianavengers@onebox.com.

Men's Discussion Group. 7 pm. Atlanta Gay & Lesbian Center, 159 Ralph McGill Blvd., 6th Floor. 404-523-7500.

YouthPride. Drop-in, 4:30-10 pm. Boy Talk (ages 13-18), 8-10 pm. Womyn's Group (ages 13-24), 8:30-10 pm. 302 E. Howard Ave. 404-378-6175.

macon

friday, may18

CCAN Potluck Luncheons. Noon. Bring a covered dish to share. Diversity House Project, 2020 Ingleside Ave. Free.

sunday, may 20

Macon Pride Benefit. 6-8 pm dinner; 8 pm to midnight dance. At Reaction. 478-744-9681, or ccoggins@onmacon.com.

savannah

sunday, may 20

Friends & Company. 6 pm. AMF Victory Lanes. 912-354-0658.

monday, may 21

Bowling League. 9 pm. For single lesbians and gay men. AmF Savannah Lanes, 115 Tibet Avenue. $10/week. Trey or Trish, 912-925-0320.

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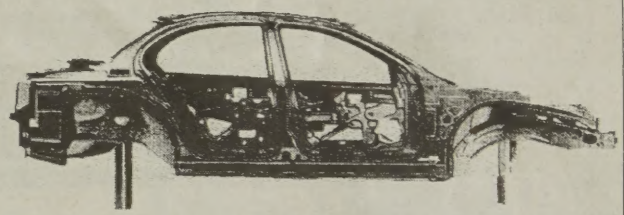

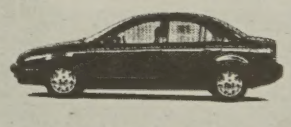

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special events

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MISS DUNK 'N DINE Sun 8 pm. Putting the easy in greasy spoon, the theme for this year's Miss Barfly drag contest will featuring the Armorettes as their favorite waitresses. All proceeds to benefit local AIDS charities. Backstreet. 404-873-1986

SAVANNAH WEEKEND Sat & Sun. A Garden Walk, cocktail party and coffeehouse gathering in historic Savannah to benefit First City Network, Georgia's oldest gay organization. www.firstcitynetwork, or 912-236-CITY

UP CLOSE & PERSONAL Sat 10 am to 5 pm. Self guided tour of the workspaces of local artists, sponsored by the Atlanta Contemporary Art Center. 404-688-1970, www.thecontemporary.org

lectures/ readings/book signings

HOLLY HUGHES Wed 7 pm. "Clit Notes: A Sapphic Sampler." Lesbian performance artist who ran afoul of Jesse Helms, in town for her "Preaching to the Perverted" show at Seven Stages, will chat at Charis Books, 1189 Euclid Ave. 404-534-0304

JO CARSON Thur 7:30 pm. Author reads from her new work, "If God Came Down..." Charis Books, 1189 Euclid Ave. 404-524-0304

drag/cabaret/ comedy

BACKSTREET ATLANTA Thur & Sun, 1 am; Fri & Sat, 11:30 pm: Charlie Brown's X-Rated Cabaret. Sun, 9 pm: the Armorettes. Backstreet Atlanta, 845 Peachtree. 404-873-1986

BURKHART'S Sun, 7:30 & 10:30 pm: the Gospel Girls. Mon-Thur: karaoke. 1492-F Piedmont. 404-872-4403

LE BUZZ Tue & Thur, 10 pm: Karaoke hosted by Jonathan. 585 Franklin Rd, Marietta. 770-424-1337

METRO Mon: Peg's "Mouth of the South Live!" Tue: Latin Night. Wed: Regina Sims presents Silhouettes of Illusion. 1080 Peachtree. 404-874-9869

NICKIEMOTO'S Mon, 8:30 pm. "Drag-Amaki" show accompanies dinner. 990 Piedmont Ave. 404-253-2010

SAMBUCA JAZZ CAFE Live jazz nightly. 3102 Piedmont Rd. 404-237-5299

TRAXX Mon, 10:30 pm & 12:30 am: With your hostess Sophia McIntosh! The Warehouse, 306 Luckie St. 404-681-4422

film

GEORGE WASHINGTON Fri 8 pm. David Gordon Green's startlingly non-commercial 2000 film about a working-class boy in North Carolina. High Museum, 1280 Peachtree. 404-733-4437

OUT OF SIGHT Sat 8 pm. Final film in the Steven Soderbergh series, based on the Elmore Leonard novel about a federal agent and bank robber who fall in love. High Museum, 1280 Peachtree. 404-733-4437

ROCKY HORROR PICTURE SHOW Fri midnight. LeFont Plaza, 1049 Ponce de Leon Ave. 404-873-1939. Also Sat, midnight. Raises funds for AIDS Survival Project. Blackwell Theater, 3378 Canton Rd, Marietta. 770-428-2617

galleries/exhibits

ANTHONY ARDAVIN GALLERY "Witness," Sebastian Spreng. Thru May 25. 309 East Paces Ferry, Ste. 110. 404-233-9686

ARTWALK "The Big Picture: Five Abstract Paintings." Thru June 10. Lennox Square. 770-435-5180

ATLANTA CONTEMPORARY ART CENTER "Biennal: When the Wind Blows." Thru June 2. 535 Means Street. 404-688-1970. www.thecontemporary.org

ATLANTA INTERNATIONAL MUSEUM "The Arabs: An American Story." Symposium highlighting the Arab American community. 285 Peachtree Center Ave. 404-688-2467

BREMAN JEWISH HERITAGE CENTER "Where the Wild Things Are: Maurice Sendak in His Own Words and Pictures." Thru June 31. 1440 Spring St. 404-873-1661

CARLOS MUSEUM "The Collector's Eye: Masterpieces of Egyptian Art from the Thalassic Collection, Ltd." Thru Jan 6, 2002. 571 S. Kilgo St., Emory University. 404-7274282

CHASTAIN PARK GALLERY "Sin, Bron Again," Priscilla Troy. Mon thru July 14. Opening reception Thurs 6 pm. 135 W. Wieuca Rd. 404-257-1804

DEGAS & AMERICA Thru May 27. Exhibit of more than 80 paintings by French Impressionist Edgar Degas. High Museum, 1280 Peachtree. 404-733-HIGH

ELEVEN50 "Art and Science," exhibition of various mediums of artwork based on scientific realms. Thru June 3. 1150-B Peachtree St. 404-874-0428

EYEDRUM GALLERY "Hardward: The Penis Show," Group exhibition that's exactly what you think it is. 253 Trinity Ave. 404-522-0655

GALERIE TIMOTHY TEW "Image & Thought," Isabelle Melchior. Opening reception Fri 7 pm. 309 E. Paces Ferry Rd. #130. 404-869-0511

HAMMONDS HOUSE GALLERIES "Women in Mourning and Outrage." Multimedia installation. Thru June 24. 503 Peoples St. 404-752-8730

LOWE GALLERY Work from David Shapiro, Steve Seinberg, Mark Perlman. Thru May 25. 75 Bennett St., Ste. A-2. 404-352-8114

MARCIA WOOD GALLERY Work from Mary Engel. Thru May 26. 1831-B Peachtree. 404-351-3930

OGLETHORPE UNIVERSITY MUSEUM OF ART "Nicolas Bouvier: Ecrivain Voyageur Suisse." Thru May 20. 404-364-8555

RAYMOND LAWRENCE GALLERY "Patchworked Females," work from Lisa Shinault, Mariana Depetris. 404-352-5058

ROSWELL HISTORICAL SOCIETY "In Style: 100 Years of Fashion," featuring vintage pieces spanning a century of fashionable dress. Thru May 31. Bulloch Hall. 770-992-1665

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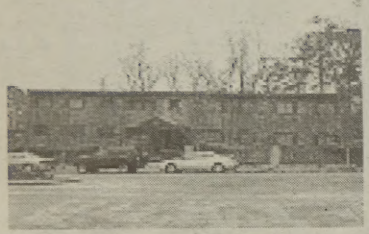

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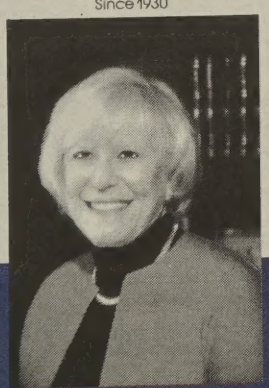

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Living, loving and working together

Partners Jeff Gillies and Randie Saxxon designed costumes for the Atlanta Opera's latest presentation 'Un Ballo in Maschera.'

by ERIC ERICKSON

The lovers in Verdi's classic opera "Un Ballo in Maschera" share an intense, yet tragic love that is never fulfilled—the hero is assassinated in a dramatic and flamboyant finale.

In contrast, the two men responsible for costuming the Atlanta Opera's upcoming production of "Un Ballo," share romantic and professional passions—now in their 10th year of fulfillment.

"By social standards, we have all the trappings of success," Randie Saxxon says of his partnership with Jeff Gillies. "And I think you have to come from a pretty emotionally healthy and happy place to achieve and maintain that."

Partners Jeff Gillies and Randie Saxxon have maintained a 10-year romantic relationship. As business partners they're the costumers for the Atlanta Opera.

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As business partners, Gillies and Saxxon manage the costuming shop for the Atlanta Opera, building and creating elaborate outfits for the organization's productions. As romantic partners, they're in the prime of a 10-year relationship.

"Being a couple and living together [and] working together makes our professional work better because we have that communication thing down," Gillies says. "We know how each other thinks, how each other will react."

Together the two create costumes that are often nothing short of a miracle.

"Basically we make people's dreams come true in textiles," Saxxon says of the often over-the-top outfits they design for various productions.

"It's usually blood and violence. It's all right for someone to have a throat split or be burned at the stake or be hung—but they have to wear these costumes night after night after night. That's a challenge."

Another challenge is living up to a director's vision for the opera, which can range from traditional to extraordinary.

"Quite often the more fantastical aspects of an opera will be something [a director has] envisioned that frankly doesn't exist anywhere in the world and that has to be created," Saxxon says.

As costumers, Saxxon and Gillies say the toughest challenge in outfitting players in an opera is to create time-appropriate clothes, rather than costumes.

"Opera is a lot grander and larger than life," Gillies says. "It's heavier fabrics encrusted with trims and jewels. Most of the stories are larger than life myths, so their [costumes] are usually like that."

The two met working as tailors for the film "Last of the Mohicans," while on location in Asheville, N.C. Since 1997 they've have called Atlanta—and the Atlanta Opera—home.

"The biggest challenge of living and working together," says Gillies, "is that you're really with each other 24 hours a day, and your own private time becomes really important.

"One of the things Randie told me from day one—that I didn't get until a few years ago— is it's really important to have your own separate identities and personal life, everything doesn't have to be together."

After 10 years and hundreds of costumes, Gillies and Saxxon's duo relationship has helped forge both an unbreakable and invaluable bond.

"Jeff can tell if I'm wigging out," Saxxon says, "or I can tell if Jeff is overworked or angry or something's not going right. Being in a relationship, we're also more motivated to address those issues as opposed to just a plain old working relationship, where my response would be to suck it up."

Another benefit, they say, about living and working together, is what they learn about each other. Couples who share a bed learn the intimate details only about their loved one's private life. Partners who only share an office, learn the specifics of the other's professional life.

"Jeff is completely amazing, Saxxon says. "It doesn't matter if it is-a sewing machine or a back hoe, [he] can pick up any tool in the world and do anything with it.

For the opera's next production of "Un Ballo in Maschera," (translated in English that means "The Masked Ball") Gillies and Saxxon were presented with a costuming challenge.

"The theme of masked ball lends itself—I think—to people being in disguise", says Saxxon. "They're never showing their true faces, and [there is] infidelity, intrigue murder and mayhem—all things that make opera fabulous.

"When the people are depicted in their daily lives we're actually seeing what the clothing of the period looked like. But when we segue way to the masked ball where all the intrigues comes to a head it's an absolute flight of fancy and it's high costume."

Directing Un Ballo is Ken Cazan, a man Saxxon calls the Quentin Tarantino of the operatic community.

"Ken brings a really brash, modern interpretation to what can be a rather stodgy production," Saxxon says. "But at the same time he lets us run amok with trappings and aesthetics of old school grand opera.

"It's gotta' be big, beautiful, splashy, violent [and] it's going to be bloody. Some people might not like it, but at the same time, it'll bring new viewers to the fold who might have the misconception that opera is tame and boring."

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PREACHING TO THE PERVERTED Thur thru May 27. Holly Hughes, one of the "NEA Four" artists that saw federal grants rescinded for controversial art, presents her new show about "one lesbian's adventures at the Supreme Court." 7 Stages. 404-522-0911

THE ROMANTIC LIFE OF EVERYDAY OBJECTS Fri, Sat & Sun. Patti Smithsonian's one-woman puppet play about a career woman who gets locked in an attic with forgotten toys. Center for Puppetry Arts, 1404 Spring St. 404-873-3391

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on stage

THEATER REVIEWS

by JIM FARMER

John's Gospel redux

Theater in the Square's one-man show 'The Gospel of John' returns for a five-week engagement

Who would have thought that mid-way through the theater year, Theatre in the Square's **THE GOSPEL OF JOHN** would still be the most impressive work of 2001?

Brad Sherill has long been a versatile actor—but in 'The Gospel of John,' he's a man possessed.

"The Gospel of John" ran for four weeks at the beginning of the year to capacity audiences, and has been brought back now for a five-week engagement. That's the kind of word of mouth not even critical bouquets can buy.

A one-man show by out actor Brad Sherrill, who also developed the project, this is the entire fourth Gospel brought to life. There is basically no set, just the text.

Sherrill has long been a dependable, versatile Atlanta performer, but he is possessed here. The show is obviously something he is deeply passionate about, and even those who are not religious will be captivated by Sherrill and the actor's belief in what he is saying.

Theatre Gael has done some beautiful work over the years, but their current **PHILADELPHIA, HERE I COME** is often a misfire. Brian Friel's "Philadelphia " is credited as a breakthrough work for the Irish playwright, but it's wrong-footed here.

It's set in a small Irish village where 25-year-old Gar (Jeremy Cudd) is about to leave for Philadelphia. There he will start anew with his Irish-American relatives and go to work in a hotel.

He'll be putting behind his childhood and a life thus far full of disappointments. His main struggle has been between with his distant father (George Bowling).

Gar is virtually penniless, thanks to the small amount of money his father has paid him over the years. Being poor has dashed Gar's belief in himself and led to cold feet in regards to proposing to his sweetheart.

In their quiet household, the voice of reason has been the housekeeper Madge (Wesley Usher), who has been something of a mother figure to the young man. Gar has also created an alter-ego, played by Robert-Shaw Smith, who is the more extroverted and reflective of the two.

As usual, Theatre Gael artistic director John Stephens proves a master of moments, such as a small vignette with Gar's father taking notice of his son's packed bags. Jeremy Cudd, very memorable as a Kentucky soldier in ART Station's recent "Last Train to Nibroc," isn't very convincing.

He masters his Irish accent fair enough, but is rather miscast and never believable, especially amongst the more seasoned ensemble. His scenes with Robert-Shaw Smith are odd—with Cudd struggling to find his character while Smith is over-emoting.

The one performer who really impresses is Usher as the snide, yet maternal Madge. "Philadelphia, Here I Come" is ultimately an emotionally flat show, lacking the lyricism of such vintage Theatre Gael work as "Dancing at Lughnasa."

Finally, Funny...That Way!, Atlanta's long-running gay and lesbian theater troupe, has a spring project running titled **PSYCHED.** According to Deb Calabria of Funny...That Way!, it's a dark comedy that "spans the gamut of mental health disorders while covering issues of racism, homophobia, euthanasia, decaffeinated coffee and lesbian tendencies towards animated characters." The improv project combines some of the company's stock performers with Georgia State students.

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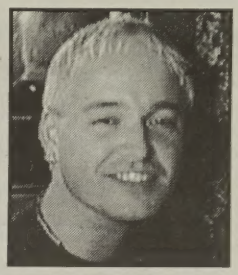
SCENES FROM ATLANTA NIGHTLIFE

by PAULY VEGAS



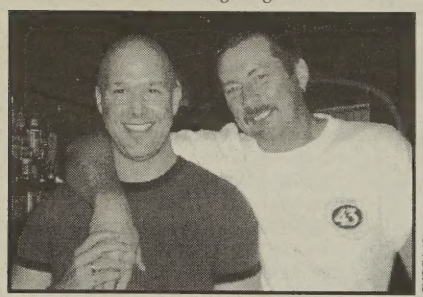
Doin' Cheshire Bridge

Daytime bartenders and customers at this handful of neighborhood pubs are a happy lot

It's a weekday afternoon. Either you don't have to work or you are able to get off early. What do you do?

If you feel like drinks and conversation, then check out the scene on the Cheshire Bridge Road.

My partner in crime **KRISTIVA DIVA** and I began our search for excitement at the **HERETIC**. As we entered, our eyes had to adjust from the bright sunlight of the outdoors to the dim lighting of the bar.



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Through the afternoon and into the night: The Heretic's afternoon bartender Jimbo and happy hour man Coco.

The décor here—in case you've never been—is kind of post-industrial disco. The bar is marble tile and polished steel—the ceilings are sheet metal with red-gelled can lights and the floor is paneled wood.

Beyond a pool table and some game machines are glass doors that open on to a sundeck. This overlooks the railroad tracks running behind the club.

We ordered a round of drinks from bartender **JIM PEARSON**, who's perhaps better known among his patrons as **JIMBO**. I asked him about a story I'd heard—free shooters for customers whenever a train goes by—and he confirmed it's a done deal.

The afternoon is passing and we're headed for our next stop: **BUDDIES** near the Tara theatre. This is a fun place with more than just flowing liquor to keep you entertained. There are dartboards to the left of the bar, a few game machines here and there, a jukebox just ahead and pool tables in the back.

We perch ourselves at the very end and are happily greeted by bartender **GREG FOWLER**, who, like Jim Pearson/Jimbo has an alter ego: **SPEEDY**.

He serves our drinks in a glass, which is quite a contrast from the bigger clubs you may be familiar with.

The crowd here is light, but Speedy assures us that it is about to pick up as the afternoon moves to early evening. "People come here," he says, "because it's a nice little neighborhood pub with darts, pool tables, liquor and queers."

Our final spot for the afternoon bar tour is the **OPUS**. There's only one way to describe the Opus—it's a is a hole-in-the-wall bar with a great deal of character.

It felt like we'd just walked into a saloon in the old American West—people at the bar stopped what they were doing to see who was entering the local watering hole.

This place is every bit of what you would expect from your local neighborhood pub. A disco mirror ball hangs overhead. The walls are covered in promotional beer and liquor plaques.

There are pinball machines at one end, a game machine and perhaps one of the most unusual things I've seen on my trek today—a Kramer Krane—one of those machines where you can drop a coin in and try to maneuver the mechanical claw towards grasping a stuffed animal prize.

As far as drinks go—you definitely get more bang for your buck here.

Clearly this bar is not for the novice drinker. As an attractive salt and pepper lesbian patron said to me, "Once you drink here going anywhere else just isn't the same."

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atlanta eats out

by JONATHAN LERNER

Cherry pops!

Midtown's latest old house-to-restaurant conversion kicks it for dinner and lunch

CHERRY occupies the latest resto-conversion of a big old four-square Midtown house. It's gorgeous and comfortable at the same time.

While it's not breathtakingly perfect or intimidatingly cutting edge—it is designed instead to give a feeling of relaxed, festive welcome.

The service felt similar—friendly, competent, and attitude-free.

The look is achieved through layers of texture and intricate pattern. The spacious downstairs dining room has a color scheme of red and gold, with parchment-colored walls. On close inspection, they consist of purposely-crazed panels of plaster—stenciled in an ancient and Asian feeling pattern, like henna tattoos.

Jewel-like glass lamps, tiny-tiled columns, and a whimsical abstract metal tree focus attention on the bar. Up the handsome paneled stairway—which looks

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Cherry is the bomb

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original to the house—is a second dining room and sushi bar.

There's pale green grass cloth, a rustic, nubby-textured wall treatment and a kinetic light sculpture. French doors open out to a deck that has a smashing sunset view. An extra added bonus—the deck is shaded by several venerable old trees.

My first visit was for a light dinner at the sushi bar. My dining mate for the evening—a bigger sushi head than me—proclaimed himself very happy with his choices. We both especially liked the Midtown roll, made with smoked eel and avocado.

I put myself in the sushi-chef's hands for a sampler plate of nigiri—six different kinds of impeccably fresh raw fish on rice, a good value at $8.

I went on to have a calamari salad—a generous helping of light, tempura-battered squid on a salad of bitter greens with a tart and hot lime-remoulade dressing.

Though already full of fish, my friend wouldn't hear of letting me eat alone—so he accompanied me with a piece of fluffy peanut butter chiffon pie that was studded with chocolate chips, sitting on an oreo-cookie crust.

I returned with the Trend Spotter one lunch time to sample the kitchen's non-sushi offerings. We were well pleased with what we found.

The Adobo chicken roll—an appetizer big enough to be a lunch—is an inspired bit of fusion. Think egg roll on holiday in Mexico, wrapped in a tortilla then battered and fried with shredded chicken, red cabbage, chilis and cheese. It comes with a creamy, earthily spiced adobo sauce.

Vegetable lo mein was also enormous and a great value at $8.50. The big bowl of noodles had lots of beautifully cooked green beans, bok choy, tomato, peppers, carrots, and a variety of mushrooms, plus a garnish of fresh pea sprouts. It all sat in a gingery coconut milk sauce.

Ancho chili tuna was a sizable slab of barely seared, sushi-grade tuna on a bed of field greens. It had a slightly sweet, slightly hot dressing that included tiny dices of jicama and red bell pepper. A mound of frizzed scallions topped the dish.

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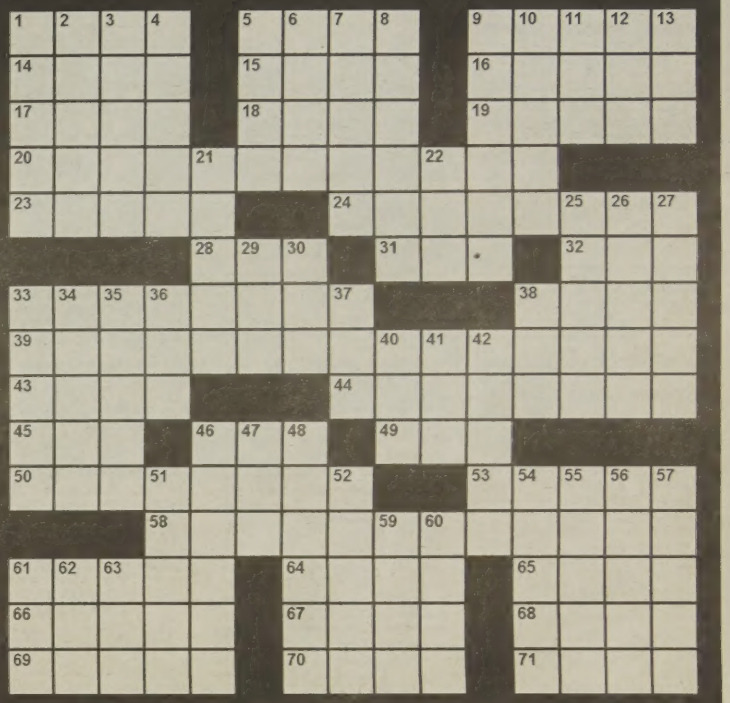

Gay Anagrams

Across

1 Pesky insect
5 Early AIDS play
9 Writer Saikaku
14 It meant nothing to Navratilova
15 Irene of "Fame"
16 "You'll ___ Walk Alone"
17 Straight
18 Go down
19 "...a ___ deferred" (Hughes)
20 Gay composer tends to dawdle?
23 Gide's subway
24 Cincinnati gay bar
28 Don't rent
31 "Singing for ___ Lives"
32 Where they yell "Cut!"
33 Holland Day work
38 Tilting tower town
39 Gay actor processes oil?
43 Will off the set
44 Elton John and Eminem at the 43rd Grammies
45 Five fruits a day, e.g. (abbr.)
46 Long, slippery one
49 This publication, to detractors
50 Artist Nicole
53 Songs at Metropolitan Community Church
58 Gay writer cannibalized a policeman?
61 Rainbow Outreach's city
64 College guy boasting of 27-Down?
65 One of Hollywood's 1,273
66 Org. of supportive moms and dads
67 Cain of "The Broken Hearts Club"
68 Difranco's "Light of ___ Kind"
69 "Common Sense" pamphleteer Thomas
70 Arthur of the AIDS Quilt
71 One that attacks the fly with a long tongue

Down

1 Twinkle in your partner's eye
2 Stars that shoot off
3 What straight soldiers do with their eyes in the shower
4 Opera guy
5 Bi
6 Lesbian juggler Felder
7 Spencer-Devlin swings with these
8 Lesbos lady
9 Like some tennis courts
10 "Gay and Lesbian Youth" author
11 Liberty, in "QAF"
12 "Bad Behaviour" star Stephen
13 Curls develop it
21 Lasso loop
22 Ferrigno of "The Incredible Hulk"
25 Journalist Harris
26 Talk show host O'Donnell
27 Chat room request
29 Porter's "___ Shouldn't I?"
30 Neither companion
33 Writer/sound-alike of Chastity's mother
34 "Men's Friendships: Invincible Communities" author Peter
35 Delights for an opera queen
36 Pipe material
37 Alleged percentage of the population that's gay
38 Audre Lorde's tool
40 Out ___ Kicks (gay soccer club)
41 Cole Porter's "___ Gigolo"
42 Robert Chesley's "___ Sweat"
46 Piss off
47 Flightless Aussie bird
48 Queer L
51 "The Most Unfabulous Social Life of ___ Greene"
52 Tom, Dick, and Harry
54 It helps a baker get it up
55 Marilyn M., but not Monroe
56 "Goodbye, ___ Jean"
57 Geert Blanchart's kind of skating
59 He took on a pair of bears
60 Teen outbreak
61 Straight to gay (abbr.)
62 Writer's deg.
63 Prince in an Ashman-Menken song

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Roommates

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Stone Mountain-GWM seeks same, avail 06/01, to share 2BR/2.5BA townhouse. pets ok. $400/mo everything included. Must have bedroom furniture. 404-297-8833 leave message. 770-662-5990 ask for Earl.

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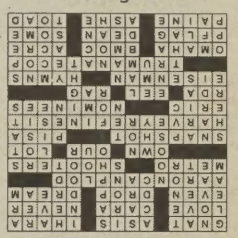

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Positive Impact, Inc. is seeking a volunteer facilitator to lead a weekly support group for HIV-Negative Gay and Bisexual Men. The group will be hosted by the Atlanta Gay and Lesbian Center. Master's degree in psychology, social work, counseling, or other mental health related field preferred, but not required. Please call Sabrina Taylor at 404.589.9040, ext. 302.

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Looking for single parents & families w/or w/out children to host a foreign exchange student for the upcoming year. Students are between the ages of 15-18, are well screened & are fluent in English. Youth for Understanding International Exchange is a non-profit organization. Call Krista at 404-875-1940.

VOLUNTEER OFFICE ASSISTANT

Help Us Serve Your Community!! The Atlanta Gay and Lesbian Center is seeking a volunteer office assistant. The office assistant will perform receptionist and other light clerical duties during daytime office hours (at least 10 hours per week). Interested? Please call us at 404-523-7500 or cw@aglc.org.

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Volunteers needed to help prepare and serve meals for the homeless and needy. Founded in Boston in 1981, 140 locations nationwide and abroad, serving 3 times weekly. Financial Aid Welcomed! To volunteer, call Bob Darby at 404-622-5859.

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The south metro youth council for the American Red Cross is seeking volunteers/youth council members for varied activities. We have a calender of events for the 2001 term. Please call 770-506-4233 for info.

Help a child

AID Atlanta is looking for responsible adults who have one morning a week available to volunteer in the playroom at the Grady Ponce de Leon Center. You would be caring for HIV-infected and affected children 10 years and younger. For more information please call Bob Ford 404-870-7741.

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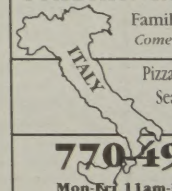

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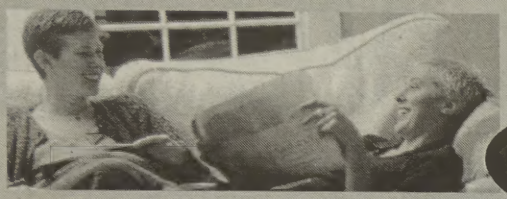

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LET'S GO OUT!
Athletic GWM, 38, 6'1", N/S, in shape, brown/blue, HIV+, very healthy, with plenty of time on my hands, enjoys outdoors. Seeking friend for daytime activities. Atlanta ☎3930

GAINESVILLE
SWM, 30, 6', 170lbs, blond/blue, enjoys photography, videos, outdoors, country music. Seeking male under 30, for dating. Mount Airy ☎1880

WHERE ARE YOU?
Attractive, witty GWM, 38, 5'5", 140lbs, brown/brown, seeks tall, handsome GWM, 30-40, N/S, humorous, affectionate, for dating, possible LTR. Atlanta ☎3515

FUNNY, ATTRACTIVE...
fit male, 6', 175lbs, blond/green, enjoys travel, working out, and his two dogs. Seeking sincere, honest, funny guy. Atlanta ☎4349

SLIM AND SMOOTH
GWM, 35, good-looking, versatile, very smooth, well-made, seeks similar, clean, healthy, good attitude, non-bar-crawler. No one-nighters. Atlanta ☎4486

INTO MY LIFE
Slim, cute BiWM, 5'9", 135lbs, blond/blue, seeks interesting, sexy guy, similar body size, for tender love and care, possible LTR. Alapharetta ☎4322

CASUAL DATING AND MORE
GWM, 36, 5'10", 170lbs, average build, HIV+, seeks similar GM, for casual dating, friendship, possible LTR. Serious replies only. Douglasville ☎4411

MR. MONOGAMY HERE
Honest, sincere, cute GWM, 39, 5'7", 145lbs, dark brown/hazel, with sense of humor, enjoys travel, music, reading, running, cooking. Seeking male, D/D-free, social drinker. Decatur ☎3824

ALL ALONE
Good-looking, fun-loving GBM, 28, 5'10", 195lbs, enjoys dining out, sports. Seeking honest, sincere GBM, for dating, possible LTR. Athens ☎4261

COMPANIONSHIP
Honest, sincere GBM, 33, HIV+, seeks secure GBM for friendship first, possible committed, long-term relationship. Atlanta ☎4042

SEEKING QUALITY GUY
GWM, 36, 6'2", 190lbs, brown/brown, seeks similar GWM, 25-45, who enjoys movies, outdoors, sports, for friendship, possible relationship. Sugar Hill ☎4260

SEEKING A GREAT GUY
GWM, 30, 5'7", 160lbs, seeks professional male who likes travel and is not into the bar scene. Honesty a must. Looking for next-door neighbor type. Atlanta ☎4169

SEEKING HISPANIC
GWM, 29, seeks HM for adventure, fun, possible relationship. Let's see where it goes! Atlanta ☎4541

KINDRED SPIRIT
Attractive, masculine, successful, secure, romantic GWM, 40-something, top, seeks attractive, younger relationship GWM, bottom, to adore. Serious only. Atlanta ☎4093

A DEEPER LOVE
GBM, 35, HIV+, N/S, N/Drugs, social drinker, seeks similar, down-to-earth, sincere GBM for friendship first. You don't need to play games to get my attention. Clarkston ☎4318

NEW TO AREA
Light-skinned SM, 28, 6'1", 160lbs, artist, designer, seeks quality friend, 22-50. Atlanta ☎4346

SEEKING JUST ONE
GBM, 31, 5'7", 151lbs, HIV+, wants to get to know a down-to-earth, honest male for friendship, possibly more. Atlanta ☎3996

HANDSOME HISPANIC
Handsome, athletic, caring, romantic SHPM, 28, 6', 175lbs, black/brown, seeks attractive SW/HPM, 35-50, in good shape, for dating and more. Atlanta ☎2855

PLUTONIC
GWM, 40, 6', 190lbs, seeks fireman or law official for casual dating, possible LTR. Atlanta ☎4567

LOOKING FOR LOVE
Athletic GM, 19, 6'1", dark/hazel, seeks GM for friendship first, possible LTR. Macon ☎4265

WM SEEKS BM
Attractive, unique male, 39, 6'1", 195lbs, seeks same in secure, diverse, open-minded top BM. Atlanta ☎4085

SEEKING PASSION
SWM, 51, 6'3", 270lbs, D/D-free, total bottom, likes animals. Seeking passionate, romantic SM, top, for dating. Black male preferred. Atlanta ☎3680

GAY, GA.
Check your map! Smooth, Airline GWM, 46, 6'4", 220lbs, brown/brown, debatable top, romancer, smoker, seeks hairy man, 35+, similar build. Take flight! Gay ☎4515

HIV+ BLACK MALE
SBM, 45, 198lbs, Native American descent, healthy HIV+, seeks healthy HIV+ SB/HM, for possible monogamous relationship. Barnesville ☎3294

LOVABLE GUY
GBM, 42, 5'11", 140lbs, black/brown, enjoys dining out, reading, writing, swimming, biking, yoga. Seeking GM, with similar interests, for friendship, possible LTR. Atlanta ☎4445

Been Glanced?

HOME DEPOT
We met 4/14. You: one hot firefighter. Me: one cute redhead. Talked about Miami. Let's do lunch! Atlanta ☎4514

MARKUS!
4/22. Lights went out at Borders. You; blue shirt, prov. history. Me; yellow shirt, prov. behavior. We talked by magazines. Let's get together and hang out! ☎4538

FORMER SKATER
You: blond, 40 year-old, former skater, performed in Indianapolis. Me: David, cap, 52 year-old, glasses. We met at Tripps in March. Please call. Atlanta ☎4478

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18TH
Dennis, you were at booth with laptop. We sat next to you. I asked about your laptop. You said, "Have a good evening, gentlemen". Let's discuss possibilities. Atlanta ☎4477

EAST ATLANTA, 2/16
Friday afternoon. Me: 6'1", clean shaven, wearing gray shirt, black pants. We smiled at each other. Walked to pay phone, turned around, you were gone. Atlanta ☎4170

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PLATONIC
SM, 44, handsome, intelligent, spiritual, emotional, seeks friendly, sincere, honest gentleman for platonic relationship. Atlanta ☎4471

SEEKING RELATIONSHIP
Sincere, honest, quiet, easygoing GWM, 56, 145lbs, brown/brown, mustache, N/S, N/D, enjoys movies, quiet evenings. Seeking male, 40-60, for relationship. Stone Mountain ☎4088

SOMEONE JUST LIKE ME
SWM, 46, 5'9", 155lbs, brown/blue, moustache, easy to get along with, seeks male, 35-55, for friendship/relationship. Please be sincere, honest, humorous. All replies answered. Mountain City ☎3369

SEEKING COMPANION
Attractive, masculine, financially secure GBM, 38, 5'11", 195lbs, seeks GBM for friendship and companionship. All calls will be answered. Lithonia ☎3376

IT ALL STARTS HERE
Attractive SBM, 43, seeks honest, secure, outgoing SM with great sense of humor for friendship that may develop into something more. Race/age unimportant. Gainesville ☎3908

OLDER FOR YOUNGER...
in Birmingham/Atlanta. GWM, 42, 155lbs, fit, educated, seeks younger WM, 25-35, H/W proportionate, fit, stable, and honest, for friendship/dating, or possible committed LTR. Birmingham ☎4288

FUN GUY
Light-hearted, sensitive WPM, 6'2", 185lbs, brown/brown, loves reading, movies. Seeking upbeat, down-to-earth, spiritual guy for casual dating. Atlanta ☎3538

HOT N' WILD
Laid-back, rambunctious SM, 18, 5'9", 165lbs, brown/hazel, enjoys tv, romantic dinners, quiet evenings at home, music. Seeking tall, muscular male. ☎4281

GOOD-LOOKING/GENUINE
Masculine, fun-loving, non-scene GWM, 42, 6'1", 195lbs, brown/green, not into gay life, seeks romance/love with similar, good-looking, masculine, relationship-oriented nice guy, with good personality. Atlanta ☎4137

SEEKING MALE...
37-39, slim to skinny, dark-haired. Me: educated, 50s, 6'3", brown/brown, enjoys reading, romantic movies, bowling. Friendship first, possible LTR. Macon ☎3933

ALONE AT THE LAKE
WM bear, 48, 5'11", 280lbs, brown/blue, bearded, romanticist, loves boating, camping, sunbathing. Seeking cuddly WM bear with similar interests. Buford ☎4175

LOOKING FOR ADVENTURE
Laid-back, romantic SBM, 270lbs, enjoys sports, movies. Seeking SM, 28-41, for best friends, possibly more. Atlanta ☎4474

RUGGED AND SENSITIVE
Creative, artistic SM, 46, 5'9", dark/hazel, medium build, enjoys working out, theater, plays, movies, music. Seeking outgoing, stable, fun male, social drinker. Atlanta ☎3975

LOOKING FOR LTR
Good-looking BM, 37, 5'9", 158lbs, HIV+, healthy, seeks stable male for LTR. Atlanta ☎4296

BLUE-COLLARED
Nice-looking, witty GWM, 41, 5'10", 165lbs, shaved head, in good shape, enjoys music, dining, nature. Seeking GWM, 32-52, hairy/facial hair a plus, for companionship. Atlanta ☎3307

SAVANNAH BEACH...
seeks long-term. GWM, 40, 6'2", 220lbs, brown/blue, lives at Tybee Beach. Seeking GWM, 30-65, who enjoys the beach life. For friendship, possible LTR. Tybee Island ☎3852

PLEASE CALL
Outgoing, good-looking SBM, 19, 5'9", 140lbs, loves to have fun. Seeking relationship with SBM, same interests. Please call. Macon ☎4138

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GHM, 49, 5'11", 183lbs, seeks honest, romantic, sincere guy, for possible LTR. Age/race unimportant. North Atlanta ☎4171

SEEK LOVE, HAPPINESS
Affectionate, caring BM, 49, 5'9", 201lbs, seeks attractive, caring, sensitive SM, 55+, for cuddling and companionship. Normal ☎3978

SEEKS SPECIAL MAN
Outgoing, easygoing SWM, 45, enjoys dining out, going to movies, and going to clubs. Seeking SM, 30-50, for friendship first. Swainsboro ☎4250

WANNA WRESTLE?
WM, 6', 190lbs, 49, gray/blue, in very good shape, works out, seeks others interested in wrestling/maybe more. Atlanta ☎3970

LET'S HAVE FUN
Laid-back BiWM, 6'4", 185lbs, HIV+, enjoys sports, music, quiet times. Seeking easygoing SM for friendship, possibly more. Alpharetta ☎4321

GRAB THE BRASS RING
Fun-loving, straight-forward, open, handsome, honest WPM, 38, 165lbs, 5'10", good shape, brown/brown, seeks kind, nice-looking, honest person who is not afraid to take chances. Atlanta ☎4335

DISCRETION ASSURED
Female type GWM, 52, 5'7", 175lbs, brown/green, seeks masculine SH/WM, 55+, for daytime dating, must be D/D-free, and N/S. Pensacola ☎3967

SEEKING THE ONLY ONE
Attractive, honest, sincere, loving, kind GBM, 38, 5'11", 175lbs, in excellent shape, seeks GB/WM, 20-40, for friendship first, possible LTR. Must be honest, kind, sincere, faithful, monogamous, attractive. Tricity/Kingsport area. ☎4479

FUN & HAPPY
WM, 38, 6'1", 180lbs, salt-n-pepper/blue, healthy HIV+, seeks honest GWM, 30-50, who enjoys movies, travel, and fun. Avondale Estates ☎4516

SEEKING RELATIONSHIP
Male, 5'4", 110lbs, brown/blue, tan skin, athletic body, enjoys volleyball, sun worship, and clubbing. Seeking male for relationship. Nicholson ☎4370

Women Seeking Women

SEEKING FEMME PRINCESS
SF, 5'4", 250lbs, short brown/green, enjoys sports, reading, movies, wood-carving, writing, painting. Seeking femme, intelligent, easygoing, fun-loving, caring, honest SF for possible committed LTR. Atlanta ☎4552

SWEET, SMART, & SEXY
Femme, physically fit, beautiful, intelligent, outgoing SBF, 23, 5'6",brown/brown, seeks mature, intelligent, attractive femme or soft butch, for fun and conversation, friendship, possibly more. Decatur area. Stone Mountain ☎4616

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FEMININE
Attractive, petite, artistic, athletic, stable, free-spirited GWF, 26, seeks feminine, confident, attractive, affectionate, goal-oriented GF, 23-36, N/S. Atlanta ☎4211

HERE WE GO AGAIN
Petite, athletic-built WPF, 41, enjoys golf, movies, music, beach, mountains, reading. Seeking honest female, 35-50, good sense of humor, for friendship first, possible LTR. Waleska ☎3036

WHERE'S MY FEMININE WOMAN
Intelligent, outgoing, attractive, extremely feminine GWF, 25, medium build, hazel eyes, enjoys walks in the park, sports. Seeking feminine GWF, similar interests, for wonderful friendship, possibly more. Atlanta ☎4526

HONESTY AND SINCERITY
BiBF, 28, 5'6", 160lbs, very feminine, 12-year-old daughter, from New York, loves dancing, movies, dining out, good conversation. Seeking honest SF, N/S, for casual relationship. ☎4527

ONE OF A KIND
Romantic, loving GWF, 5'7", brown/blue, enjoys fishing, outdoor/indoor activities, variety of interests. Seeking GWF, 35-65, for friendship first, possible LTR, to spend holidays with. Manchester ☎3572

TAKE A CHANCE
Cute, stable, healthy, funny, independent, easygoing SWF, 35, seeks SF, 30-40, N/S, who loves to laugh and enjoys a wide variety of indoor and outdoor activities. For possible LTR. Atlanta ☎4416

LOOKING FOR FUN
Dark-skinned GBF, 25, 5'7", medium-length hair, enjoys bowling, shooting pool, movies, swimming, reading. Seeking GF for friendship first, possible LTR. Atlanta ☎4201

LONELY
Hard-working GBF, 42, 5'3", 165lbs, built so fine, enjoys romantic candlelit dinners. Seeking feminine GBF, 35-45, for LTR. No games, make it last forever. Yonkers ☎4512

SMART AND SEXY
SBF, 43, 5'5", 145lbs, stud, likes swimming, picnics, movies, dining out, pool, bowling, dancing. Seeking mature, intelligent, pretty, sensuous SF for friendship, possible committed relationship. ☎4522

BUTCH SEEKS FEMME
SWF, 5'5", 180lbs, blonde/blue, enjoys sports, animals, movies. Seeking honest, trustworthy SF with goals in life for committed relationship. Douglasville ☎4461

SEEKING COMMITMENT
SF, 25, 5'7", 150lbs, jet black/brown, enjoys shopping, tennis, basketball. Seeking female, who knows what she wants out of life, for committed relationship. College Park ☎3982

STRONG BLACK STUD
Versatile GBF, 31, 5'5", employed, enjoys clubs and country music. Seeking beautiful GF, 25-45, for casual relationship leading to LTR. Houston ☎3799

MS. MONOGAMOUS
Light-complected mother of one son, 27, 5'3", brown/brown, enjoys outdoors, country. Seeking SF for LTR. Atlanta ☎4249

DON'T SWEAT SMALL...
stuff. New Orleans, attractive, humorous, compassionate GBP mom, medium height/weight, loves movies, hugs, candlelight evenings, bicycling. Seeking similar BF, 35+, N/S, friendship first. New Orleans ☎3514

MISS RIGHT
Hard-working SBF, brown-skinned with braids, enjoys basketball, romantic dinners. Seeking BF, 35-40, for LTR. South Carolina resident. Beaufort ☎4480

LOOKING FOR FRIENDS
GWPF, 39, in Atlanta area less than a year, looking for social friends, varied interests. Norcross ☎4287

JUST DO IT
Attractive, healthy, spiritual GWF, seeks similar friend for spending time together and maybe more. Atlanta ☎3885

NEW BEGINNING
GWF, 45, enjoys fishing, bowling, playing pool, casinos. Seeking GF, with similar interests, for friendship, possible LTR. Monticello ☎4446

WHERE ARE YOU?
GWF, 44, 6', brown/green, enjoys dining out, rides in the country, special quiet times, cuddling, movies. Seeking soft butch, 35-45, with similar interests, LTR. Smyrna ☎4369

LOVING FEMME...
seeks loving stud. GF, 50, grown children, enjoys reading, cooking, beach, theater, nature. Acworth ☎4278

STILL CRAZY!
Big girl, big smile, big heart. Spiritual, passionate, down-to-earth, outgoing soft butch, 46, enjoys candlelight bubble baths. Decatur ☎4367

YOUNG HOT GWM COUPLE...
24, 5'7", 125lbs, brown/blue; 21, 6'1", 135lbs, brown/green, with sense of humor, new to Baton Rouge, seeks friends for hanging out and "fun". Baton Rouge ☎4513

NEED A FRIEND?
GWF, 48, enjoys outdoors, dining, intelligent conversation. Seeking GWF, 36+, for friendship. Covington ☎3956

LET'S PLAY
SBF, 24, seeks GWF, 21-45, butch, soft butch, or androgynous, who are into movies, concerts, local bands, activism, dancing, C&W, hip-hop, alternative. College Park ☎4523

MID 30S AND EARLY 40S
GWM couple seeks down-to-earth GWM or GWF for friendship only. Enjoys dining out, movies, weekend travel. Not into bar scene, no drugs, and N/S. Lawrenceville ☎4320

MOVING TO ATLANTA
Down-to-earth, honest GBM couple relocating soon seeks real friends to show us around the city. Gastonia ☎4450

SEEKING NEW FRIEND
GBF, 33, enjoys concerts, plays, and quiet evenings at home. Seeking a mature woman for new friend. Clarkston ☎4427

SEEKING A FRIEND
GF, 52, 5'6", 230lbs, brown/brown, enjoys pets, movies, cooking, music, long walks. Seeking outgoing GF, with similar interests, for friendship, possible LTR. Cumming ☎4410

BUTCH SEEKING FEMME
Butch SWF, 32, 5'4", 250lbs, short brown/hazel, enjoys music, movies, and outdoors. Seeking honest, intelligent, fun-loving femme WF for friendship, possible LTR. Hoschton ☎4310

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TV/TS

BODYBUILDER
SWM, 5'11", 230lbs, lifeguard, enjoys working out in the gym. Seeking hot, passable transsexual for possible casual relationship. ☎4584

DON'T MESS WITH TEXAS
You: frequent flying two-stepper, yellow rose wanna be. Me: Lone Star buckle, stetson for luck, Bucharest Bay, Bucharest truck. Can assist with sleeping, breathing. Decatur ☎4415

SEXY...
sweet, honest, tender, gentle sex-change transsexual, 28, 40D-26-36, very convincing, seeks male companion. Atlanta ☎3823

CLOSET QUEEN
New to Atlanta. Submissive GWTV, 5'11", 125lbs, seeks discreet friendship. Atlanta ☎4319

LOOKING FOR FUN
White transvestite, 22, 6'2", seeks open-minded, masculine SM, 18-28, 6'2"+, top, looks/weight unimportant, for fun times. Smyrna ☎4026

DOWN-TO-EARTH LIBRA
Full-figured GBF, 35, mother of two, enjoys movies, tennis, bowling, reading, music, travel. Seeking friendship first, possible LTR. D/D-free. Atlanta ☎4275

LOOKING FOR FRIEND
GBF, 40, 5'5", 140lbs, enjoys tennis, working out, movies, concerts. Seeking outgoing SF, 33-45, for friendship, possible LTR. Smyrna ☎4472

NTERESTING & INTERESTED
Dynamic, attractive woman, 45, 5'11", 160lbs, blonde/blue, fit, enjoys nature, art, fitness, music, dancing. Seeks fellow woman traveler on path. Communication, humor/values most important. I am in love with life. Atlanta ☎4368

FRIENDSHIP 1ST/MAYBE MORE
GWF, 41, 5'7", 125lbs, N/S, N/Drugs, seeks outgoing GWF, 30+, N/S, N/Drugs, who's real and can be herself, enjoys walks, outdoors, nature, mountains, stimulating conversation, dining out, weekend getaways. Lawrenceville ☎4476

WOMAN OF MY DREAMS
Health-conscious, creative, intelligent, very attractive Puerto Rican GF, 5'6", 140lbs, soft butch, cat lover, enjoys dancing, reading, concerts. Seeking attractive GW/HF, 45-60, for LTR. Kenner ☎3622

LOVING, DOWN-TO-EARTH
Attractive BF, 42, light complexion, likes dining out, travel, reading, working out. Seeking easygoi[illegible], intelligent, articulate, emotionally/financially secure SF for possible LTR. Stone Mountain ☎4469

BRAINS AND LOOKS
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SOMETHING SERIOUS
Clean-cut GPF, 6'1", 270lbs, pecan complexion, enjoys movies, walks in the park, quiet times. Seeking a feminine GF, for a LTR, serious inquiries only. East Point ☎4286

HEY YOU!
GWF, 22, 5'4", 135lbs, cute, soft butch, great sense of humor, likes movies, sports, dogs. Seeking GWF, 21-25, educated, funny, animal lover, N/S, N/D. Atlanta ☎4591

FAIRY TALE ROMANCE
Intelligent, honest, easygoing GF, 20, 5'8", 150lbs, short brown/green, loves reading, hockey, television. Seeking playful, thoughtful, loyal, loving, romantic GF, 25-35, for serious relationship. Lawrenceville ☎4146

CHOCOLATE DIMPLES
GBF, 24, soft butch, seeks serious, intelligent, and humane female, 21-28, femme, very sexy, for dancing, dinner, and quality time. Decatur ☎4417

LEFT OF CENTER
Intelligent, witty, attractive GWF, 37, enjoys gardening, soccer, music, books, movies, wine. Seeking warm, intelligent, attractive SF, 32-44, for possible LTR. Decatur ☎4126

Just Friends

SINGLE GAY MOTHERS?
Single lesbian, 29, seeks other grounded lesbians, giving serious thought to or attempting single parenthood. Let's share ideas, fears, hopes, and offer mutual support. Atlanta. Atlanta ☎3888

OPEN YOUR HEART
Attractive, romantic GWPF, 38, soft butch, seeks honest, intelligent, fun-loving GWPF, femme, N/S, for good conversation, fun, dating, possible LTR. Tucker ☎4604

COME OUT & PLAY
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